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NAZIS QUIT IN ENTIRE WEST

Eisenhower Announces End in No. Reich, Denmark, Holland

By United Press

The Germans unconditionally surrendered Denmark, Holland and the northwestern Reich yesterday, leaving only isolated German garrisons in Norway and the south.

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower said in a formal statement that the Germans are "thoroughly whipped on land, sea and air," and that their "only recourse is to surrender."

Eisenhower also disclosed that the remnants of the German Ninth and 12th armies had surrendered to the U. S. 102nd Division on the Ninth Army front west of Berlin, and that the 11th German Panzer Division surrendered to the U. S. Third Army.

It was disclosed that Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson's Ninth Army began its regrouping in preparation for the United Nations occupation of Germany a week ago.

Gen. Eisenhower announced that the Germans in the north had surrendered to Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's British 21st Army Group effective at 2 a.m. EWT tomorrow.

Front dispatches said the shooting already had ceased as tens of thousands of Germans laid down their arms. More than 500,000 prisoners had been taken in the north in two days, and the capitulation was expected to bring in another 500,000.

ADVANCE IN SOUTH

As resistance ended in the north after a battlefield conference between Montgomery and a representative of Grand Adm. Karl Doenitz, Adolf Hitler's successor, the American Third and Seventh armies advanced virtually unopposed through the mountains of southern Germany, Czechoslovakia and Austria.

Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's Seventh seized Innsbruck and Salzburg without a fight, and then drove into the Brenner Pass to join with the U. S. Fifth Army in Italy. Gen. George S. Patton's Third moved along the Danube to within three miles of Linz and an imminent new junction with the Red Army which would split the Nazi southern pocket in half.

The Seventh drove on beyond Innsbruck to capture Berchtesgaden, heart of the once-vaunted Nazi redoubt in the Bavarian Alps.

The Denmark-northwest Germany-Holland surrender announced by Gen. Eisenhower left the Germans two main pockets—Norway, where it was estimated they had 250,000 troops in all, and Czechoslovakia, where they had a more formidable army, including SS combat troops.

MUTINIES REPORTED

For all German fighting men but those in Norway, Czechoslovakia and tiny other pockets, the end seemed near after new junctions between the American and British armies and the Red Army and with the thrust

of the American Seventh Army through the Brenner Pass into Italy to join the Fifth Army.

Mutiny had broken out among German troops garrisoned in Denmark, according to Stockholm reports, and even some of Doenitz's own Navy men were reported to have mutinied.

The German Army facing the British—which includes the German High Command—was out of control yesterday morning.

The Germans were throwing away their arms by the hundreds of thousands, refusing to fight, trying to get home, or struggling to give themselves up as prisoners.

The Allies, controlling the Brenner Pass and holding Salzburg, were meeting only scattered resistance from an estimated 50,000 to 100,000 Nazi troops.

With the surrender of Italy and mass surrenders in northern Germany, the enemy has roughly 123 divisions left, some of which are isolated in Latvia.

Fifty-seven battered divisions form the enemy army group in the center, roughly from Torgau to Brao to the Drava River. There are 13 divisions in the southeastern Army group from the Balkans to Trieste.

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Treaty Review Clause Debated By Big Four

By FREDERICK V. FIELD

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—The most encouraging conference developments today have been the continued effort of the Big Four to pool their views on amendments, and the fact that France is being brought into these Big Four discussions, which also cover the World Court and trusteeship.

The original deadline for amendments was to be midnight tonight. This may be extended if the sponsoring nations are unable to complete their work.

There is agreement among the American, Soviet, British and Chinese that broad principles of international law and justice should be included in the new organization's charter. There will also be some bill of human rights to parallel the declaration regarding the juridical equality of nations.

Differences on the new World Court are disappearing. Earlier controversy over whether the Security Council should have authority over the court is being settled in favor of the former. The Council will decide which issues are submitted to the court and which are to remain under its own jurisdiction.

Vandenberg and his supporters are still pressing hard on two issues. The first is the time and manner in which the charter produced in San Francisco is to be amended. Vandenberg has fought for a procedure which would give maximum scope to the forces of reaction. He wants a fixed date for a constitutional convention, and he wants to empower the Assembly, where all the small nations have a voice equal with the big nations, to have the authority to make changes. An acceptable solution will be to give the Security Council final authority for any changes made in the new organization's constitution.

TREATY REVIEW

The most serious obstacle to four-power agreement on amendments also stems from the reactionary Vandenberg. He drafted and put across to the weak American delegation a scheme whereby the entire peace settlement against the Nazis would come up for review in the new organization's assembly. Everyone supports the idea of "dynamic change" in the peace, but retroactive changes are another matter. Under the slogan of "peaceful change," Vandenberg is trying to introduce a procedure whereby the small nations can invalidate the victory of democracy.

Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov has taken the lead in arguing against this suicidal amendment. His case is admitted to be strong. He has reminded the delegates that a defeated Germany can exploit such a principle to resurrect reaction.

The Vandenberg proposal would make it possible for Germany to press for "treaty revision" and, if this were not successful, to discredit the world organization for not living up to its own status.

POSSIBLE SOLUTION

A solution of this issue must be based upon two points. First, acceptance of the principle of peaceful change. Second, that its application be placed in the hands of the Security Council, not the assembly. In the Council the joint leadership of the Big Five would ensure that whatever revisions were made would be in the interests of security.

The British have stiffened on the question of trusteeship, over depen-

Franco May Make Frisco Bid: Izvestia

Wireless to the Daily Worker

MOSCOW, May 4.—Izvestia's special correspondent in San Francisco warned today that, following the decision to admit Argentina to the conference, Franco's emissaries are showing signs of greater activity.

An invitation to Spain may be suggested, the government newspaper said. The conference remains the main topic in the Soviet press' foreign news columns. All main speeches are reported in full.

dent peoples. At a press conference this afternoon, Viscount Cranborne indicated agreement with the American proposal calling for reports to the world organization by colonial administrators, but he balked at the American-sponsored plan to give the international body the right to inspect colonies. The British are counting on the Americans compromising on this point.

It remains uncertain whether the United States, Soviet Union, China and Britain will jointly sponsor a series of amendments. The alternate plan now being considered is for the Americans, having secured general agreement from their Allies, to introduce the amendments.

The commissions meeting these last two days are still in the organizing stage, and await the outcome of the Big Power discussion.

Nazi Treachery Marked Berlin Surrender Bid

By HENRY SHAPIRO

MOSCOW, May 4 (UP).—The final negotiations for Berlin's surrender were held in the cellar of Adolf Hitler's Chancellery while flames swept the upper floors and possibly destroyed the evidence needed to prove or disprove Nazi claims that the fuhrer died in his offices, Soviet dispatches revealed tonight.

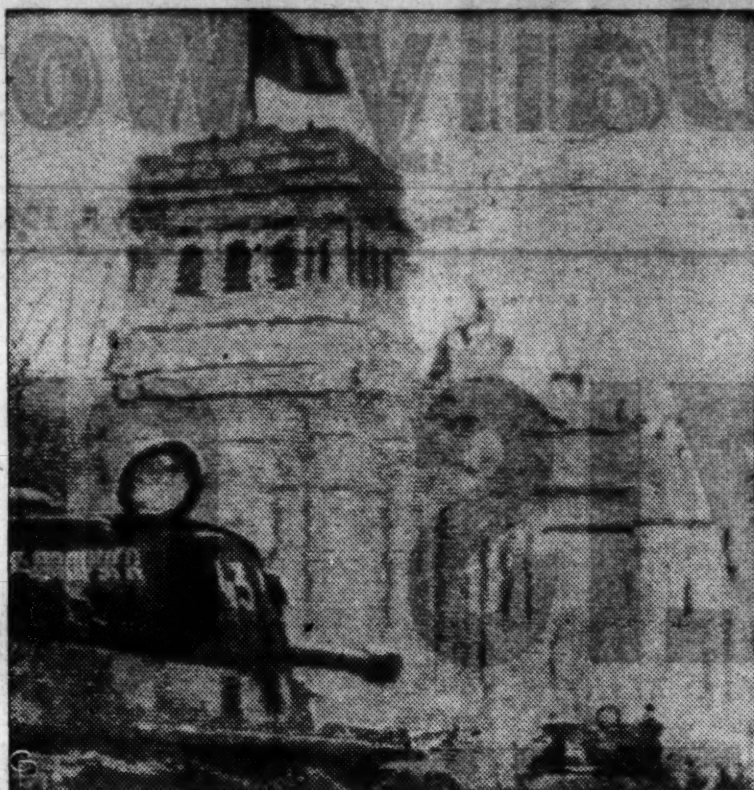
The gutted wreckage of the Chancellery is now a Soviet divisional command post. It was indicated that no trace of Hitler's body had yet been found.

The actual surrender of Berlin came after an abortive truce meeting on May 1 that ended when a German sniper wounded Soviet Major Belousov, one of the negotiators.

That act of treachery was answered by the greatest Soviet shell barrage loosed in the entire battle. It continued throughout the night and the next morning the Germans again asked for an opportunity to surrender, with their commander, Gen. Weidling, personally making the request.

LAY DOWN ARMS

At 3 p.m., long columns of German troops began laying down their arms while civilians emerged from cellars and watched the spectacle of the capital's surrender. A Soviet jeep, skillfully maneuvering among the tanks and guns, approached a government building on the Wilhelmstrasse. Snipers and grenade-throwers continued active despite the capitulation agreement. Com-



The red flag of the Soviet Union flies over Hitler's Reichstag Building in Berlin as Soviet tanks patrol the debris-strewn streets after the city's fall.

Poland Renews Bid For Seat at Frisco

By United Press

The Premier of the Polish Government Friday demanded representation at San Francisco "in the interest of enduring peace." Premier Edward B. Osobka-Morawski, in a speech broadcast by Lublin radio.

"Poland is too important a material and moral factor to be passed by in this conference that is to decide about the future of peace. Poland has borne, next to the Soviet Union, the greatest sacrifices," he said in the speech, heard by the FCC.

"Poland deserves an honorable place in the family of Allied nations. We hope that justice will be done in this case."

LONDON, May 4 (UP).—The Moscow radio said today that 1,584 estates in the Warsaw district, totaling 389,295 acres, have been divided among 49,545 formerly landless families.

Progress Seen On Solution of Polish Issue

By JOSEPH STAROBIN

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—The one clear thing about the Polish question today is that the issue is a live one. Soviet Foreign Commissar Molotov, Ambassador Averell Harriman and the British Ambassador Archibald Clark Kerr are definitely discussing it.

It may be true, as the N. Y. Times reported this morning, that the former exiled government chief, Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, has been invited to Moscow. But actually the discussions do not revolve around what posts Mikolajczyk and his friends may get in a reorganized Polish government. The discussions concern the basis of a new approach in defining just what the Yalta agreement means. The Anglo-American willingness to back down from their previous position is considered here as an initial Soviet advance in an ultimate solution of the problem. But no overnight solution should be expected.

The American and British representatives are coming to realize that the present Warsaw government is the basis for its own reorganization—that is the essence of two days progress here. A willingness is being shown by the British to eliminate the "blackmail value" of Mikolajczyk's position.

ARGENTINE BOOMERANG

The basic reason for this progress is the terrific kickback which the American delegation here, and officials in Washington, have gotten on the Argentine question. Evidently wiser heads in Washington are overcoming the anti-Soviet position of Ambassador Averell Harriman.

They realize the dismay which the Argentina affair has caused, even though for public consumption our officials are feverishly trying to justify their course. The fact is at least sinking in that the Warsaw government is growing stronger. The longer the delay the more difficult it will be to get any sort of posts for characters like Mikolajczyk, Stanislaw Grabski, or the Socialist Jan Stanczyk.

Foreign Commissar Molotov has decided to stay on over the week-end, probably until Tuesday and thus the possibility of an ultimate place for Poland here has grown brighter.

Int'l Labor Charter Out Today

Special to the Daily Worker

OAKLAND, Calif., May 4.—The World Labor Conference has formulated a complete charter, it was learned here today, which will be made public tomorrow at 11 a.m. (PWT).

It is understood that troublesome issues, such as the place of the International Transport Federation and similar "secretariats" have been ironed out. The place of regional federations, like the CTAL in Latin America are also cleared up.

Agreement on a preamble and voting proportions by the national trade union bodies are also known to be satisfactory.

This morning, the World Labor conference, on Philip Murray's suggestion, has been discussing its attitude toward the place of the International Labor Office in the World Security Organization.

This concerns the long-range problem of what will be done with the ILO, and is separate from the issue of World Labor Conference representation at San Francisco on an equal basis with the ILO.

That latter matter is still hanging fire, although no doubt the American and British trade union movements are pressing their national delegations strongly.

DIRTY WORK

It should be added that Robert Watt, AFL consultant here, is playing a particularly nasty role, working directly with Sen. Arthur Vandenberg, a decisive figure in the American delegation.

The AFL's statement to the security conference was straight Vandenberg stuff.

When the American delegation debated Kuznetsov's request for WLC representation, it is known that Vandenberg opposed it on the grounds that the AFL wouldn't like it, even though the AFL, already represented in the ILO, has no fair reason to deprive the CIO of representation through the World Labor Conference.

Philippines Offer Oaks Plan Amendment

Special to the Daily Worker

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—The Philippines delegation today submitted a long list of amendments which go right down the line against big power leadership in the enforcement of security.

At a special press conference this morning, Carlos Romulo, delegation leader, Senator Garcia and Judge Delgado argued for a voting system in the Security Council whereby any two small nations would be able to veto unanimous decisions of the Big Five to use armed force.

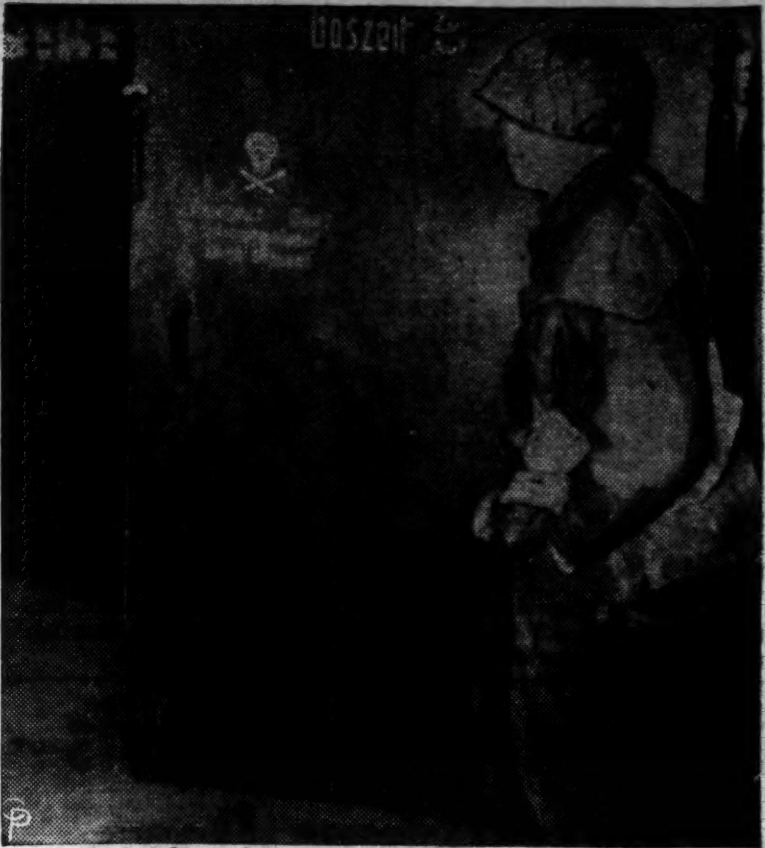
Another Philippine proposal would define as aggressor any nation engaging in subversive propaganda. Under strenuous questioning the only illustration the delegation could cite was the possibility of Soviets advocating Communism in U. S. or Americans propagandizing for democracy in USSR.

The long document containing the Filipino amendments and the manner in which the press conference was conducted reveal a basic lack of understanding or sympathy with fundamental purposes of Dumbarton Oaks.

Therefore while the outlook is favorable for a four-power agreement on many of the amendments being submitted this kind of talk by a delegation under U. S. influence shows that divisive undercurrents are still coming to the surface far too frequently.

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A Yank takes a look at one of the Nazis' gas-death chambers. This American soldier of the U. S. Seventh Army makes his way slowly into a gas chamber adjoining the Dachau crematory where thousands of persons were sent hurriedly to their graves. A skull and cross bones are painted on the heavy doors.

U. S. Chamber, AFL Okay Postwar Pact

By ART SHIELDS

WASHINGTON, May 4.—President Truman got the good news from Eric Johnston, president of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce today, that the Chamber's board had just endorsed the historic labor-management charter of industrial peace signed by William Green, AFL president; Philip Murray, CIO president; and himself.

AFL President William Green announced that the executive council today unanimously endorsed the labor-management charter. Similar action had already been taken by the CIO executive board.

The next move will be to bring in the National Association of Manufacturers if possible. Johnston is hopeful. On leaving the White House he said discussions with the NAM "to reconcile our differences" would be resumed.

A grass roots campaign to bring the charter home to the people throughout the United States will follow soon. The campaign is being held up briefly, pending the NAM's decision. If the NAM affiliates it will be directly represented on the working committee of business and labor that will direct the campaign.

The campaign is expected to follow the lines set in several communities, where organized business and organized labor have met together to implement the charter peace plans. These plans provide for recognition of labor's right to organize, without interference, and industries right to direct production. And they lay the groundwork for a united drive for full employment and prosperity.

WORLD IMPLICATIONS

The connection between unity at home and peace between nations is emphasized.

Six chamber vice-presidents, representing banking, industry and business, were with Johnston when he broke the good news to President Truman.

More than 50 chamber board members joined in giving the peace charter their blessing today.

Such important financial figures as Eugene Holman, president of the Standard Oil Co., of New Jersey; and Clark K. Minor, president of International General Electric, are among the board members giving their approval, as well as Herman W. Steinkraus, president and general manager of the Bridgeport Brass Co., Clarence Francis, chairman of the General Foods Corp., Earl O. Shreve, of Schenectady, N. Y., vice-president of General Electric, and James D. Francis, president, the Island Creek Coal Corp., of West Virginia, one of the largest bituminous producers in America.

Labor and management will be evenly divided on the national working committee to implement the charter. The NAM's own representatives will be added if that body comes in.

Members to date include three AFL representatives, William Green, Secretary-Treasurer George Meany and Robert Watts Philip Murray, Sidney Hillman, president, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, and R. J. Thomas, president, United Automobile Workers, represent the CIO.

Industry's representatives so far include Johnston; Henry Kaiser, shipbuilder; Otto Seyforth, president, West Michigan Steel Foundry Co.; Edward Thomas, president, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.; Paul Hoffman, president, Studebaker Corp.; and David Zellerbach, president, Crown-Zellerbach Co.

Rep. Hall, Back from Nazi Hell, Asks Murder Trials

MINEOLA, N. Y., May 4 (UP).—Rep. Leonard Hall, (R-NY), arrived home today from a tour of German prison camps to recommend trial for murder for all Germans "from top to bottom responsible for such living hells" as the Buchenwald death factory.

Hall, together with Reps. Clare Boothe Luce (R-Conn.) and John Kunkel (R-Neb.), visited Buchenwald, where German records showed 51,732 political prisoners died or were killed since 1934. The congressional group arrived six days after the camp was captured.

"We must take the attitude that all Nazi war criminals must be tracked down just as we track down American criminals in this country," Hall said. "We must place no credence in statements from the Germans that they did not know what was going on under Hitler."

"The thing that hit me hardest at Buchenwald was the little children," he said. "There were 900 of them, all boys from six years old up. They had been there three years, and most of them were picked up for playing in the streets after curfew hours. They slept six kids to a five-foot-long wooden shelf, with one

cotton blanket a piece and no mattress. Their legs were no bigger than chair legs."

The death factory's former hospital was so dirty, Hall said, that he and Kunkel got lice "just walking through it." The only clean building at Buchenwald was a brothel where 16 girl prisoners served 400 Nazis, he said. The brothel has been converted into a hospital.

"Guards in the prison camp were well fed, as were all the German civilians I saw," Hall said. "The little villages of Germany are barely touched by the war. The fields are plowed and ready for the spring planting. The people are healthy, but the women look at you like they could kill you."

Hall said he also visited the Nordhausen rocket factory, where V-1 and V-2 bombs were assembled in a plant built inside a mountain. No slave laborers who were forced to work there lived to leave the factory, he said.

"That underground factory was completed in 1938," Hall said. "That fact alone should make all Americans realize we are dealing with a wily and dangerous foe. It is now up to us to see that never again are the Germans permitted to start on such a road of horror."

City Nabs Million Lbs. Of Black Market Meat

By HARRY RAYMOND

Twenty-nine trucks carrying nearly a million pounds of meat were seized yesterday in the city's biggest black market raid. Squads of police, Health Department inspectors, market inspectors and War Food Administration agents, with

Mayor LaGuardia coordinating their work, swooped down on the alleged black market trucks at bridge, ferry and tunnel entrances to the city.

Chaos in Bronx Court Over 330 OPA Cases

"Chaos reigned" in the Bronx Magistrate's Court yesterday as 330 OPA cases—shifted there after Gov. Dewey abolished the War Emergency Court—knocked the court calendar for a loop and jammed the building with about 1,000 defendants, inspectors and witnesses.

Presiding over the melee was Magistrate William Klapp, who opened the court a half hour earlier than usual, at 9:30 a.m. instead of 10 a.m., in order to handle as many cases as possible. As the cases proceeded, additional witnesses and defendants crowded the building at 161 St. and Third Ave., filling the elevators to capacity. The courtroom, which holds 400, was filled shortly after 9 a.m.

Yesterday's scene was the first and immediate result of Dewey's signature to the Conrad-Clancy bill abolishing the centralized War Emergency Court and shifting cases to borough Magistrate courts.

Green Leaving For San Francisco

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 4.—AFL President William Green announced today that he is leaving for San Francisco with AFL counsel Joseph Padway. Green and Padway will represent the AFL at a meeting on Monday between the American delegation and spokesmen for the organizations with official consultants. Green indicated that the AFL will press for several amendments to the Dumbarton Oaks plan including a ban on the use of German labor to help rebuild devastated areas in the Soviet Union and elsewhere.

The meat was impounded at the Bronx Terminal Market. Drivers of the trucks were held on charges of violation of the city health code, operating without Office of Defense Transportation authority and violation of OPA regulations.

The drivers will be held, the Mayor said, until proper identification of the real violators is ascertained. The violators will then be taken to court and prosecuted, he added, stating he was "quite satisfied with the results."

DIRECT RAIDS

Directing the raiding squads, stationed at 32 traffic entrances to the city, were Markets Commissioner Henry M. Brundage, Acting Health Commissioner Frank Calderone and Chester W. Halhan, regional director of the WFA. They inspected trucks and cars for a period of eight hours, winding up the raids early in the morning.

No OPA agents were in the raiding parties, the Mayor said. The OPA, he explained, had stated it had insufficient personnel for this type of work.

Largest haul of the raid was 18 trucks of meat seized while entering the city without ODT credentials, known as certificates of necessity. These cases have been turned over to the Office of Defense Transportation and are being further investigated by the Department of Markets.

Four trucks carrying 68,200 pounds of veal were hauled in at other points. Inspection showed this meat carried no slaughterers' stamps and no identification of origin as required by law. Operators of these four will be prosecuted, LaGuardia said, for violation of the City Sanitary Code.

UNSTAMPED

One truck from New Jersey containing 700 pounds of beef and another of New York origin carrying 647 pounds of miscellaneous liver, hearts, etc., were impounded because the meat was unstamped, unidentified and not inspected. Under the Sanitary Code, this meat will have to be destroyed. The Mayor said he hated to do this and suggested it might be turned over to the city zoos.

Operators of five other trucks were reported to the OPA for improper grading.

Altogether, the Mayor said, 33 trucks containing a total of a million pounds of meat were inspected during the raids. Four of the 33 were released after preliminary examination.

The Mayor said he had reports that a large number of passenger autos are being used to bring black market meat into the city. Many private cars were stopped, he said, but none were found carrying meat.

AFL Local Presses For World Labor Unity

Chain Restaurant Employees Local 42 of the AFL Hotel and Restaurant Employees International has wired AFL President William Green pressing for Federation participation in the World Trade Union Federation. The local, which has a membership of 2,500, sent a copy of the wire to its international president, Edward Flore, a member of the AFL Executive Council. At the same time, the union congratulated Green on his support of Bretton Woods proposals.

Predicts Big Postwar Loan To Soviet Union

Open credits of a large amount, as a loan to the Soviet Government on a long-term basis will probably be approved by Congress in the near future, E. C. Ropes, chief of the Russian Unit of the United States Department of Commerce, revealed last night at a dinner meeting of the Architects Committee of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc., in the Hotel Biltmore.

Emphasizing the significance of this extension of credit to United States and Soviet construction markets after the war, Ropes pointed out that in no other field of American manufacture are the prospects for business brighter than those represented by the architectural and construction fields.

"That there will be an immense increase in trade between the two countries after the war seems to be expected by everyone, in government and out, American or Russian," Ropes declared. "It is a well known fact that more modern industries in the Soviet Union are based on American models, methods and equipment than on those of all other countries put together."

M. M. Goussev, president of the Amtorg Trading Corporation, the agency through which American-Soviet business is handled, predicted reconstruction work in the USSR on a scale unprecedented in history to repair the ravages of war destruction.

"On the staff of the Purchasing Commission of the Soviet Government in the U.S.A. are Soviet building construction specialists who are acquainting themselves with the engineering methods and industry of the United States," said Goussev. "They are studying possibilities of future purchases in this country of a series of plants, including plants manufacturing various building materials, plants manufacturing equipment for the building industry and plants manufacturing pre-fabricated houses and parts."

John B. Blandford, Jr., administrator of the National Housing Agency declared that "good housing will be one of the cornerstones of building a better world after victory by the United Nations."

Thomas S. Holden, president of the F. W. Dodge Corporation, in reviewing American "miracle" production records during recent years paid high tribute to the contribution made by the construction industry.

"Free interchange of information has played an important part in the achievement of this result and I am sure that our Russian friends, like our friends from France, Britain and other countries, have already found among American architects, engineers and builders the greatest willingness to answer questions about American methods and American technical and managerial know-how," he said.

Harvey Wiley Corbett, chairman of the Architects Committee of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc., acted as chairman and introduced the speakers.

The dinner meeting marked the opening session of a two-day conference in which American and Soviet architects and engineers are to discuss mutual building problems.

Union Lookout

- CIO Primer on Bretton Woods
- IAM Weighs Poll on AFL

by Dorothy Loeb



The CIO Political Action Committee has launched a nationwide campaign on current political issues. First gun in the drive was fired this week when PAC issued 250,000 copies of a new pamphlet in support of Bretton Woods proposals. Titled "Bretton Woods Is No Mystery," it's written by Joseph Gaer, who wrote most of the PAC election stuff. It has that same easy-to-read and easy-to-understand quality that characterized the campaign material. This is the first of a pamphlet-a-month series the committee will issue in future in co-operation with Reynal & Hitchcock, publishers. Future publications will deal with the Frisco conference, World Trade Union Conference, guaranteed annual wage, increased minimum wage, race relations, Missouri Valley Authority, development of natural resources and the like. Aim is to get the pamphlets to the general public as well as to the labor movement. National Citizens PAC and other non-labor progressive groups are expected to cooperate on distribution.

In connection with the pamphlet-a-month series, CIO, President Philip Murray has designated a committee of labor editors and officials to work with Gaer. Those selected for service are: Vincent Sweeney, editor, Steel Labor; Tom Wright, UE News; Sam Kramer, Shipyard Worker; Lowell Chamberlain, NMU Pilot; Dr. A. L. Lewis, United Rubber Worker; E. M. Schoffstall, Textile Labor; Edward Levinson, United Auto Worker; Kermit Eby, CIO research director, and John Abt, counsel, Amalgamated Clothing Workers.

The International Association of Machinists, which planned a July special convention to consider anew withdrawal from the AFL, may have to postpone it due to Office of Defense Transportation limits on travel. ODT is asking all organizations to waive big meetings for the time being and to limit gatherings to 50 delegates. The IAM, one of the AFL's biggest unions, would necessarily have to have more than that for a meeting of this kind. There's a possibility that a referendum will be considered instead. That's how action was decided the last time the Machinists authorized national leaders to leave the federation. IAM complaints remain the same as before: raiding and jurisdictional conflicts by carpenters, operating engineers and other AFL crafts.

The CIO Department Store Union won a National Labor Relations Board election among non-selling employees at A. I. Namm, Brooklyn, recently, defeating an AFL local. Two hundred and fifty were in the eligible units. The vote was 147 for CIO to 40 for AFL. Covered were restaurant, kitchen and warehouse employees. Now the whole store, with just about a thousand employees, is represented by Local 1250 of the United Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Employees. Already in Local 1250 were Hearns, Oppenheim-Collins, and Norton's. The union is participating in an NLRB election at the Frederick Loeser store, Brooklyn, May 29. Selling employees will be polled.

Model Vet Clause Won By UE at B'klyn Plant

An agreement which guarantees to former employees, disabled in war, reinstatement without regard to seniority, has been negotiated by a CIO union with the Tagliabue Corp., Brooklyn war plant.

The veterans' clause hailed as "model" by Local 1206 of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, includes all auxiliary branches, the merchant marine and the Red Cross among the services which determine eligibility to benefits.

The shop, which now has 140 employees in service, all covered by the agreement, promises a week's pay to those leaving for service in future, and gives the same to those now in uniform when they return to the job. Where servicemen are reported killed or missing, the allotment goes to his nearest kin.

New employees, if discharged servicemen, receive seniority at once equivalent to their period of service, back to Sept. 1, 1940. Former employees accumulate seniority throughout their period of service and are given four months from date of discharge to report back for work, a month longer than the Selective Service Act. Provision is also made in case, through no fault of their own, they cannot report that soon.

Upon reemployment, all former employees, whether disabled or not, will be paid not less than their former hourly rate plus any general increase or other benefits that accrued while they were away.

Management also agreed to cooperate with the union in plant, department and job surveys to determine suitable jobs for returning disabled vets, and agreed also to cooperate jointly with industry, government and labor in the community to help secure jobs for veterans generally.

A unique feature of the agreement is that it applies to office workers as well as the production force. The plant employs a total of 600.

CPA Members Hear Gil Green Tuesday

Active members of the New York County Communist Political Ass'n will hear Gilbert Green, State President, speak on the current political situation and the tasks of CPA members at a meeting in Manhattan Center, Tuesday, May 8, at 8 p.m.

News Capsules

Mystery Flash Held Meteor

Hundreds of residents in the PHILADELPHIA area were awakened early yesterday by a mysterious explosion accompanied by a flash that lighted the sky for 200 miles to the southwest. Police and newspaper offices were swamped with telephone calls by persons awakened by the blast. Police said they could give no explanation unless it was a meteor. Dr. Harlow Shapley, director of Harvard Observatory, agreed with the theory that the explosion was caused by a bolide meteor. He said, however, that while such meteors, popularly known as fireballs, were fairly common he did not recall any strong enough to shake buildings.

Prospects of a reduction in draft calls during the next few months were darkened yesterday by Chief of Staff GEN. GEORGE C. MARSHALL.

In a letter to Chairman Andrew J. May, (D-Ky), of the House Military Affairs Committee, Marshall pointed out the Army has not been able to meet replacement demands of Gens. Dwight

NMU Protests Seating Of Argentina at Frisco

Ferdinand Smith, national secretary of the CIO National Maritime Union, yesterday wired Secretary of State Stettinius a sharp protest against the seating of Argentina at the San Francisco conference. Seamen, who have fought against

fascism since its inception, ask a reversal of this policy, he said. At the same time, 40 members of the executive board and joint council of Chain Restaurant Employees Local 42, which has a membership of 2,500, also sent a protest to the Secretary of State. The AFL union reaffirmed its full support of President Roosevelt's policies and asked that these be maintained intact in the conduct of our foreign policy.

Smith's wire to Stettinius said that CIO merchant seamen "deplore the seating of the fascist Argentine government" and consider it "a moral defeat for the United States, for Latin American democracy and hemisphere unity."

AIDS PRO-FASCISTS

"This step gives aid and comfort to all the most dangerous pro-fascist forces in the hemisphere and encourages them to pattern their government after that of the fascist Argentine GOU by its violation of the principle of four-power unanimity as the basis for our world policy."

"The action on Argentina raises the question of whether an anti-United Nations American bloc is to play power politics at the expense of world peace and a general security organization."

"We further view this as an abandonment of the Good Neighbor policy of the late President Roosevelt and former Secretary of State Cordell Hull and a victory for the imperialist policies of Sen. Vandenberg and Sumner Welles. We demand the return to Good Neighbor policies as a contribution to world unity and an intensified support of the democratic Argentine people."

Chain Restaurant Employees Local 42 wired Stettinius its "disappointment" on the vote of the American delegation on the Argentine question. The action, their message said, was "contrary to President Roosevelt's policy for the establishment of world peace." The union urged that this "be corrected" at the earliest date and that the World Trade Union Conference be seated at San Francisco in a consultative capacity.

D. Eisenhower and Douglas MacArthur for May and June, and that Eisenhower's current losses are running at 2,000 men daily.

NEW JERSEY Gov. Walter E. Edge yesterday signed a bill by Sen. Harold A. Pierson, Morris County Republican, prohibiting delivery of milk before 6:30 a.m. and after 6 p.m. On Sundays and legal holidays, deliveries may start at 4:30 a.m. ... A one-inch snow was reported here yesterday in KANE, PA., by the U. S. Weather Bureau.

MRS. JOHN KRITER, of Charleroi, Pa., took her dog to the police station for disposal. A policeman asked her to keep the dog while he looked for a new home. Some days later Mrs. Kriter's two-year-old son was missed. While the search was on, workers at a nearby factory noticed a dog dashing from the river bank, barking excitedly. Investigating, they found the Kriter boy waist-deep in river mud where he had fallen over the bank. The Kriter family will keep the dog.

V-E Cutbacks Require Wage Review--Thomas

By HARRY FAINARU

DETROIT, May 4.—Faced with a critical situation brought about by considerable cutbacks and reduction of working hours, R. J. Thomas, president of the United Automobile Workers, urged that a special session of the National War Labor Board be convened immediately to review the entire wage problem.

Thomas said that reduction of working hours and wages would make living conditions for the million workers he represents unbearable. In a message addressed to Dr. George W. Taylor, WLB chairman, he said: "The cutbacks will mean reduction of working hours from 45 and 50 hours a week, in some cases higher than that, to 40 hours a week, and in some cases to less than 50 hours a week."

He added that 140,000 Ford employees have been placed on a 40 hour week. This means a reduction in "take home" pay of approximately \$10 a week for those formerly working 45 hours.

Thomas made it clear that the UAW is not opposed to the principle of spreading available work. "But it is our position," he added, "that reduction of working hours without, at the same time, protecting over-all wage standards, would be an unrealistic and unfair procedure."

The UAW head called upon the NWLB to revise its policies immediately so that the present over-all wage levels "notwithstanding re-

duction of working hours" will be maintained. He reminded Dr. Taylor that the members of the NWLB on many previous occasions were in agreement that adjustments of wages would be necessary when V-E day arrives. And Thomas asserted that "the time to act is now here."

DAVIS TO MAINTAIN WAGE CONTROLS

WASHINGTON, May 4.—While declaring wage and price controls more important now than ever, William H. Davis, director of economic stabilization, yesterday predicted a future increase of from 30 to 40 per cent in real income.

The War Labor Board and the Office of Price Administration, he said, are working on a reconversion pricing and wage policy procedure. "I am all for holding the price line," he declared.

He said this meant that coming months would see no slackening in wage controls but added that this was not arbitrary, and would be considered in the light of the needs of getting production and consumption started.

"We have to reconvert somehow a fifty to sixty billion dollar war economy into goods and services and we to consume 90 per cent of it," he commented.

"That means you will have to raise the standard of living 30 to 40 per cent. You must have an increase in the real income of 30 to 40 percent. If we don't do that, we're sunk."

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JAPAN VIEWS THE FUTURE



The Myth of Neutrality

AMERICA is revolted at the spectacle of a DeValera of Eire and a Salazar of Portugal offering "condolences" to the Nazis because the most depraved butcher in history is reportedly dead.

Had this happened when Nazi power was still great, we would have condemned it but still might have considered it merely a cowardly gesture of convenience. But there is no conceivable necessity for such gestures today. Surely, DeValera and Salazar cannot plead fear of the dying Nazi beast.

The conclusion is inescapable that these "neutrals" expressed their condolences because that is how they actually feel about Hitler's death. Their very position of "neutrality" in this war lends emphasis to that conclusion.

Consider the nature of the war. It has been a struggle between the forces of savagery and barbarism and those of progress, freedom and enlightenment. No nation could be exempt from the consequences of that struggle. If it did not join actively to preserve civilization, it was because it had its sympathies and ties with the Axis.

That goes for the leaders of Ireland and Portugal. And it goes, as well, for those so-called paragons of "democracy," Sweden and Switzerland. It goes doubly, of course, for those outright allies of Nazi Germany, Spain and Argentina. Nor can we forget that Turkey's position was a dubious one until it became clear that the Nazis were doomed to defeat.

Sweden and Switzerland have, of course, adopted an air of innocence. The fact is, however, that they have acted as the messenger boys of the Nazis, that their ruling circles are bound with Nazi imperialism by a thousand financial ties. As for those major bases for postwar Nazism, Spain and Argentina, the American people are keenly conscious of their aid and assistance to the enemy.

It must be noted that the attitude of Ireland, Portugal, Spain and Argentina received encouragement from certain reactionary Vatican circles who hoped to maintain a base for reaction in these Catholic countries.

Knowing the Nazis are preparing these nations as a springboard for an eventual comeback, we dare not forget their role in this war. We cannot permit the Hoover-Vandenberg crowd here and its counterpart in other nations to soften our attitude toward them.

The elimination of the fascist danger requires that we act to crush the forces in those countries that would make them a base for Nazi imperialism.

Lewis vs. Roosevelt and Truman

THE public in general will heartily approve President Truman's seizure of the anthracite coal mines. Already a full week's vitally needed hard coal is lost. The President's action serves notice that V-E Day will not in any way weaken our determination to press the production front vigorously until final victory.

But John L. Lewis' persistent defiance of the government must be revealing to those who attributed his disgraceful deeds to a dislike of our late President. The fact seems quite well established that no matter who is the commander-in-chief, Lewis doesn't like the type of war we are conducting today.

Nevertheless, certain forces are very much interested in building up Lewis. The latest is that front cover splash to an article by the mine union's dictator in Collier's magazine. Some business magazines have become very nice to him. Lewis, spearhead of reaction on the war home front, is now coming forward in an equally dangerous role in the battle for reconversion to peacetime economy. His policy of disrupting an orderly reconversion through a peaceful management-labor relationship, is playing into the hands of those reactionary monopolists who do not desire such a reconversion.

The fact must be made plain to the people of America that Lewis' monkey wrench does not turn into a bouquet of roses after V-E Day. He is the same defeatist, disruptive front man for reactionary interests.

It is also necessary to talk turkey to coal miners. They should realize that ultimately they will take the consequences of Lewis' anti-government policy. They cannot escape the responsibility of still tolerating this man as head of their union.

Between the Lines

The San Francisco Blues

by Joseph Starobin

SAN FRANCISCO.

IT WAS the easiest thing in the world for a reasonably sensitive, reasonably progressive American out here to bury his unhappiness at the bar of the Palace Hotel last Monday evening.

The bar is a peculiar institution. It is not only a well of liquid refreshment. It is a market place, a source-spring of information, the appropriate scene to make speeches and confessions, to commiserate and debate.



And on Monday night there was a general temptation to commiserate in public. That was the day when the United States insisted upon seating fascist Argentina, when the Soviet Union put up a dramatic fight for the principles of Crimea, when Edward R. Stettinius exhibited the many defects in his makeup.

Klieg Lights and Secret Diplomacy

The older newspapermen were quick to say that San Francisco on that day looked exactly like Geneva, the seat of the old League of Nations. Except, as one Frenchman added, "we were accustomed in Geneva to see nasty things happen behind the scenes. In your country, you prefer the Klieg lights."

Personally, I do not like to discuss political problems in terms of optimism or pessimism. That is not the real choice. Suppose it were true—and it is not true—that this conference is busting up and the hope of world peace and prosperity is a delusion. In such a case, people who are pessimistic are people who evade their own responsibility to change the direction of events. If you are really fighting for something, you are always optimistic even when you are losing.

Without Perspective And Unstable

What really happened here last Monday is that all the dangerous trends and confusions in American foreign policy were laid bare. We must see these trends clearly and judge them ruthlessly. But we must be careful not to

make sweeping and unfounded judgments as to how durable and lasting these trends will be.

My opinion is that any American foreign policy which welcomes Argentina and rejects Poland in world affairs is a policy without perspective. It leads nowhere. The further we go, the more costly to our prestige and our interests the process of turning back will be.

What does it mean—to welcome Argentina? Are we going to win her to democracy by embracing her at the very moment when her fascist forces are trying desperately to escape the effects of the collapse of Hitlerism? That was Nelson Rockefeller's line, trying to explain to the American correspondents.

We will do nothing of the kind. We will dismay the democratic forces in Latin America. We will sharpen the antagonism between Argentina and her neighbors, who are now more fearful than ever. We will be less able to expand trade, to industrialize the hemisphere, to raise living standards when we bolster a regime which is antagonistic to all that.

Prestige in Latin America

We will not beat the British in this game either; they are much more adept at it than we are. And those who think of American influence in South America as competitive with the Soviet Union's, let me urge them to talk to Latin American democrats here. The prestige of the Soviet Union has increased a hundred-fold overnight in Latin America.

And what does it mean to reject Poland? It means, if continued for very long, that all of Europe will shy away from the United States like a plague. The horrible unhappiness of the French delegation here—which is not a very representative one, either—is proof of the fact that even western Europe knows that recognition of Polish democracy is the keystone of European democracy. What do you gain if

you reject Poland? Nothing. American policy becomes merely an obstacle which the European peoples will thrust aside.

So we have a "hemisphere bloc," and we have capitulated to its most unstable elements. But the voting on Argentina showed that a hemisphere bloc is not enough for any American foreign policy with world pretensions. Nineteen American republics voted with us, as did eight more countries linked with the British Empire. Nineteen out of 46.

What Will Happen Tomorrow

But let us ask ourselves what will happen tomorrow when two more Soviet republics take their place in world affairs, and later when Finland, Poland, Bulgaria, Romania, Hungary, Austria, Albania and Italy come into the world organization.

When that happens, it is certain that Norway, Belgium, Greece, Iran and France will vote and continue to work with the Soviet Union. You will find that whereas 33 percent of the nations here declined to vote against the Soviet Union last Monday, at least 45 percent will decline to vote against the Soviet Union a year from today.

The policy of "blocs" is therefore a snare and a delusion for the United States. By that I do not mean that our other great allies will form rival blocs. I am simply saying that the world which is now coming out of the war cannot possibly be pro-American at any point where the United States is anti-Soviet.

There is no stable policy in it for the United States. And any policy which has no perspective of stability is short-sighted and stupid. Those Americans among us who are proud of our country's power, who want to use it wisely in our own interests, will have to mull over these facts. And responsible American leaders in all fields will have to say out loud that America must retrace its steps quickly.

Worth Repeating

JOY at the victorious progress of the Red Army in Berlin is expressed by the London Daily Express of May 2 airmailed here: "The crunch of the Russian tanks on the rubble of this most hated of all cities is music in their ears (the Russians), and in the ears of all the world."

Today's Guest Column

SAN FRANCISCO

IF YOU'RE driving a car and want to negotiate a sharp turn safely and with your four wheels on the ground, one of the first things you learn is to start slowly and then accelerate as you round the corner. If you do the opposite, that is, approach the corner fast and then apply the brakes in the middle of the turn, you run the danger of turning turtle. At the very least you'll make the tires screech.

That's what happened to American foreign policy last Monday when Mr. Stettinius angrily demanded the seating of Argentina's fascist government at the United Nations conference in San Francisco.

He braked American foreign policy in the middle of its turn from a policy of imperialism to one based upon Teheran and Yalta.

Under President Roosevelt's guidance the American approach to this decisive change in foreign policy had been careful. It goes back to his historic "quarantine the aggressor" speech in the fall of 1937. Slowly and surely he gave leadership to the American people. Teheran was accepted; its policies were reaffirmed and given new impetus with the electoral victory over the combined forces of isolation and imperialism at the polis last



by Frederick V. Field

year. The United States was thereby enabled to progress further to Yalta. And this last great international understanding inspired by President Roosevelt was received in this country with more acclaim and from a wider public than had greeted Teheran or returned the President to the White House.

The United States even after Yalta was still not all the way around the corner on the high road of world cooperation and unity. The great accords of President Roosevelt, Marshal Stalin and Prime Minister Churchill, and Dumbarton Oaks had still to be given organizational form at San Francisco. And whatever charter for world organization emerges here must be ratified by two-thirds of the Senate.

THE solutions in which we participated over the conference presidency and the invitation to the Ukrainian and Byelorussian Republics were arrived at in the spirit of Teheran and Yalta.

Then Mr. Stettinius suddenly applied the brakes. Our car careened off the road. That there were casualties and damage is unquestionable. We don't yet know whether the driver—or perhaps a new one in the person of Mr. Hull—can get it back on the road.

It is impossible to convey the shame and embarrassment which consumed us when Stettinius rudely demanded that the conference break the unity of the sponsoring na-

Stettinius In the Driver's Seat

tions and invite fascism into a conference designed to put it behind prison bars. I was sitting in the press gallery at the time. Laberto Lleros Camargo of Colombia and Ezequiel Padilla of Mexico spoke weasel words on behalf of Argentina. Belgian's foreign minister argued for acceptance of Molotov's "reasonable" request for a few days delay to give opportunity for further discussion.

ANTHONY EDEN who was in the chair then gave precedence to Stettinius over three others who had expressed a desire to speak. The great audience was silent as he walked to the platform. The majority, hoped, and many expected that he would advocate the only wise course possible in the circumstances by giving support to Molotov's reasonable request.

You know, of course, what happened. But perhaps from a distance it was difficult to picture the petulance in Stettinius' voice, or the cold fury that swept those who understand the significance of unity and who are deadly serious about the business of wiping fascism off the face of the earth.

There is no use pretending that this conference has recovered from the shock. It hasn't. The prestige of the American delegation and that of the United States has been heavily damaged. Mr. Stettinius' well-known smile was appreciated in the first days of the meeting as thoroughly friendly and encouraging. Now it looks like the vain gesture of a showman.

Listen Here,



Mr. Editor

Nebraskan Writes To His Son

Naper, Nebraska.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The following is part of a letter a father wrote to his son in the Navy:

"On April 30 I will be 58 years old, son. Soon now, I will be an old man and it won't be long till all us old men must turn over the ruling of this country and the world to you young men. I hope enough of you can see alike to make it a much better place for the greater number to live in, and not as it used to be where just a few got the gravy and the rest licked the plates. Make it so you can all have some gravy, son. And another thing, if this country is really sincere in its declaration for democracy, at the convention now sitting in San Francisco, the status of the Negro people in America and their equality and eligibility for voting would be pertinent." JOHN W.

The Roosevelt Legacy In Indiana

Indianapolis, Ind.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The Indiana CIO Political Action Committee has done a good job on the Roosevelt legacy. It has got out a four-page leaflet with the late President's words upon returning from Yalta: "It has been a long journey and I hope you all will agree that it has been, so far, a fruitful one. Speaking in all frankness, the question of whether it is entirely fruitful or not lies to a great extent in your hands."

The emphasis is on "your hands" in the leaflet, and the appeal is to carry on the Roosevelt objectives of durable peace, 60,000,000 jobs and national unity. The CIO PAC has done a good job and let's hope it will have good results.

WALTER T.

A Thought at the San Francisco Opening

Detroit, Mich.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The long battle that organized labor has fought is now approaching fruition with the San Francisco conference.

With the continued vigilance and support of labor, we have the perspective of firmly establishing a world coalition which will guarantee the people of the world enduring peace and prosperity.

HAROLD L. SHAPIRO.

Flood Frisco With Letters

Brooklyn.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The jesters on the radio are haw-hawing about the "defeat" of Molotov on the Argentina question. If anyone lost it was we Americans and the small people of the world and those jesters are laughing at us. The Nazi beasts were ready to lose this war if they could only retain a base from which to plan with more thoroughness the next war. Argentina and Spain are those bases. It is common knowledge.

I say let's flood Stettinius with letters to warn him to watch out about Spain. Let us remind him that in Roosevelt's name we want no business with fascism. The people are watching.

JOE JERARD.

The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest. To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the freest discussion, please limit letters to 300 words.

Views On Labor News

RECENTLY I was shocked to hear an AFL leader, no less a personage than secretary-treasurer George Meany, quote V. I. Lenin, father of the Soviet Union, as authority on a question. I was almost knocked into unconsciousness, the other day, when the speech arrive in printed form and still retained the quotation.

This was the speech Meany delivered to a special meeting of the New York Central Trades and Labor Council warning against any favorable interest in the World Trade Union Conference. Lenin entered when Meany unburdened himself of the usual garbage about the Soviet trade unions not being "free" and the absence of "freedom" in the Soviet Union.

"Without political freedom all forms of workers' representation will continue to be a fraud," quoted Meany from a 1905 work of Lenin. So Meany gave an impression to his listeners that way back in 1905 Lenin condemned as not free the Soviet government that was due to be formed 12 years later.

The mere quoting by an AFL leader of Lenin, without calling him names, is something to be thankful for. Perhaps it will induce some AFL people who have always been so fearful of what Lenin wrote, to actually read what he said.

There is Volume 23 of Lenin's Collected



by George Morris

Works which International Publishers has just released. It covers the rich and exciting 1918-19 period, when the foundation stones were being laid for the Soviet Republic. Throughout its 540 pages, Lenin stresses the one main point—that the Soviet government is the highest form of democracy in history.

ONE item in Vol. 23 is Lenin's famous Letter to the American Workers, in which he says that "the soviets of workers and peasants are a new type of state, a new and higher type of democracy."

"The 'freedom of assembly' for workers and peasants is not worth a cent when the best buildings are in the hands of the bourgeoisie," Lenin went on as he described how the people of the new democracy acquired all the requirements for real freedom.

The same volume carries Lenin's powerful indictment of Karl Kautsky, the theoretician of German social democracy, who employed the same type of slanders against the Soviet Union that the AFL's leaders still harp on today. One would think that a man with Meany's responsibility would at least read a few pamphlets of Lenin's so as to know what he is talking about.

But Meany obviously belongs to that class of labor leader who consider it a waste of time to read anything less current than a magazine. They leave everything to a press agent or the research or legal department.

Facts for Victory

THE need for a carefully coordinated program for reconversion is underscored by recent developments both on the military and home fronts as the war in Europe draws to its close.

This is the war production picture as we get it from the latest government releases and other sources.

Munitions output in March, for the first time during the war, exceeded the scheduled rates. Even in the critical schedules, previously running behind, March production was the best yet attained.

Cutbacks have begun, with the April ammunition, tank and plane orders reduced. In the weeks ahead cutbacks will increase, for example, in M-4 tanks, artillery and mortar ammunition.

But V-E Day will apparently bring no great "economic shock." For the purpose is simply to lower production a little, while we still have to meet the demands of the Pacific war, and then to proceed full speed on that level of output until Japan's resistance is crushed.

Keeping this in mind, workers everywhere will respond to WPB Chairman Krug's statement last Saturday, that "V-E Day will be a day of battle for our fighting forces in the Pacific, and guerilla warfare is likely to be continued in Europe. The fighting is not over. There is a long, hard job ahead. We at home



by Labor Research Assn.

must not falter, even for a day, in our support of the men who will be doing the dirty, bloody work that is the price of peace."

PRESIDENT TRUMAN sounded the same note last Tuesday when he declared, "We still have a tremendous job ahead in bringing the entire war to a victorious conclusion. Beyond that, we must reconvert our domestic economy to the production of peacetime goods and services. The tasks which lie ahead are no less important, no less urgent, no less vital... than the tasks which are behind us."

The munitions goal is still high—\$48 billion in the first year after V-E Day. In the first quarter after the end of the fighting in Europe munitions production may run about 12 percent below the scheduled rate of the present quarter, in the following quarter about 20 percent less, and in the next two quarters it is expected to average about 30 percent under the present level.

One year after V-E Day, munitions output may be averaging less than \$3.4 billion a month compared with the scheduled \$5.2 billion peak per month in the present quarter.

MANY shortages will be revealed as millions of destitute people in war devastated liberated countries call for food and clothing. The Combined Production and Resources Board called attention last week to the spe-

Production Outlook After V-E Day

cific shortages in coal, trucks and textiles. Judge Rosenman's report to the President last Monday stressed the gravity of the needs of our allies in liberated Europe, not only for food and clothing but also for coal and coal mining equipment, transportation equipment, oil and other essentials.

Shortages already apparent at home before these European needs were reported, included textiles, leather, lumber, tin, lead, steel, copper, aluminum, rubber and certain chemicals.

Existence of these shortages call for continuation of strict wartime controls in many fields. They will also make the transition to civilian goods production relatively slow in some industries. Latest WPB estimates indicate it will take from four to six months to make the shift from a two-front to a one-front war.

Under the circumstances only a small trickle of the war-scarce civilian goods are expected before the end of the year. For the first call on the nation's productive equipment will naturally be given to such key industries as the railroads, utilities, oil wells and the machine tools and equipment needed to speed production later on of peacetime goods.

Civilian consumers should rally around President Truman in his vigorous support of the OPA and the whole rationing and price control machinery. This is the least we can do to back our fighting men, aid the liberated countries and avoid inflation dangers on the home front.

German Communist in Buchenwald Tells Redemption Program

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A Berlin Communist, Walter Bartel, chairman of the international committee which runs the former Buchenwald concentration camp, believes that 60 per cent of the 2,000 German political prisoners in the camp are potential leaders of a new Germany.

Interviewed by Russell Hill of the Herald Tribune, Bartel said the Buchenwald Germans regard their first task as the punishment of Nazi criminals and the purging of Nazi elements from administrative posts. In time they want an anti-fascist democracy—neither a Soviet republic nor a return to the Weimar constitution.

Bartel felt the overwhelming majority of Germans had been corrupted by Nazism.

"They refuse now to accept the responsibility for Hitler," he said, "but they were willing to close their eyes to the excesses of the Nazis. For instance, when our people go into Weimar the citizens say they had no idea of what was going on at Buchenwald. This is a mean lie."

"Civilians worked in the same anti-tank gun factory as the prisoners. They were told what was happening, and they were indifferent to it."

Bartel said a long occupation of Germany will be necessary. "There are no democratic movements in Germany," he declared.

Germany's heavy industries should not be destroyed but should be taken away from men like "Thyssen and his crowd," and put under international control for peace production, Bartel suggested. He did not believe the Rhineland should be separated from the rest of Germany.

He warned that Nazi jailers and torturers are still "running around free. They have other names and other clothes, but they are the same people."

Former Communists, Socialists and Catholics in Buchenwald, Hill observed, "seem to have stopped regarding themselves as members of political parties and have found common ground."

FOREIGN BRIEFS Fixed Bayonets In Argentina

BUENOS AIRES police, armed with muskets, prevented the people from celebrating the fall of Berlin. Soldiers in steel helmets with fixed bayonets occupied public buildings, newspaper offices, broadcasting stations, to make sure that joy over the great victory of world democracy should not become a demand for democracy in Argentina. . . . In **SANTIAGO, Chile**, representatives of 200,000 demonstrators sent greetings to Marshal Stalin and "an expression of eternal gratitude to the heroic Soviet people, the invincible Red Army, the great leader, Marshal Stalin, architect of the victory which will assure progress, peace, liberty, well-being to all humanity."

Dimitri Z. MANUILSKY, Foreign Minister of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and member of the presidium of the former Communist International's executive committee, is en route to San Francisco as head of the Ukrainian delegation. **Kuzma Benedik** heads the White Russian delegation.

Find Spark of Hope for Germany Alive in Jails

By **HANS BERGER**

Sixteen thousand liberated prisoners of 13 nationalities celebrated May Day in the former concentration camp of Buchenwald. Speeches were made in German, Russian, Polish and French. An "International Committee" had prepared this May Day meeting.

This camp contained many democratic anti-fascist Germans. Most of them were killed. But 2,000 German prisoners survived and were among the liberated. American reporters tell us that these 2,000 Germans had won the confidence of the other nationalities because of their unbroken anti-fascist spirit. The chairmen of this "International Committee" were five Russians, four Poles, three Germans, three Czechs and one member of each of the other nine countries. It was reported that a former Berlin Communist, who had been in prison since 1936, was freed at Buchenwald.

These are not von Galens, von Papens, Krupps, etc. They are the Germans who have more than proven their faith, their character. In this Nazi hell they were tested by their fellow prisoners of many lands. They are the kind of Germans who are going to play an important role in reeducating Germany. They are the kind of Germans who should administer towns

and cities, edit papers, organize new German police forces and be given the chance to help in purging Germany of fascism.

They are the real democratic anti-fascist forces of Germany—many of them probably "premature"—never making peace with fascism, never losing their faith in the cause of humanity, never giving up the spirit of true internationalism. Of course there are Communists among them. How could it be otherwise? But as in other liberated countries without Communists there cannot develop in Germany a real, broad, united anti-fascist movement, co-operating with the Allies, destroying Nazism, recognizing the moral guilt of the German nation and its duty to restore the damage.

The genuine democratic forces in Germany and in exile must be given a chance to return and to work. This will facilitate the task of carrying out the Yalta decisions in regard to Germany, whatever concrete forms these decisions will take. It would help the Allies greatly to avoid the use of doubtful German elements, who want only to preserve German imperialism as much as possible, and to save the reactionary German upper classes who brought fascism into power and who are most responsible for the victory of fascism in Germany with all its terrible consequences.

Carried On Anti-Nazi Work at Buchenwald

By **HERBERT A. KLEIN**
By Wireless to Federated Press

PARIS, May 4.—Secret political work that went on under the eyes and whips of the Gestapo men saved the sanity of many prisoners in the brutal Buchenwald concentration camp in Germany, and kept

This is what scores of political prisoners told Sgt. Peter Furst, **Stars & Stripes** reporter and member of the American Newspaper Guild, CIO, who visited the camp. He interviewed many of the survivors, among whom were many labor unionists and political figures from the Communist and Social Democratic parties.

Former Reichstag member **Paul Schreck** of Mannheim was one of the prisoners interviewed by the **Stars & Stripes** reporter. Non-political prisoners, Furst was told, lacked faith in the future and many are now hopelessly wrecked, unable ever to resume a man's place in life. There was plenty at Buchenwald to demoralize even the strongest.

Americans found 21,000 prisoners there, most of them dying of starvation, tuberculosis, dysentery, physical and mental decay. Bodies of the dead were piled like logs of firewood, their naked bodies bony and almost fleshless, covered with the marks of beating and torture. Hundreds of half-burned bodies were found in the crematorium where 200 were disposed of daily.

Those still alive lived in the stench of decay and death. They had been virtually without care, had been clubbed, had had dogs turned on them, slept on cubbyholes shelves 18 inches apart, and were forced by the Gestapo in some cases to hang their own comrades.

Some victims were hung on hooks while they were beaten. Others had flesh taken from their bodies to make lampshades and other knick-knacks for the Gestapo's wives and other favored Germans.

Ernst Thaelmann, Hamburg longshore labor leader who became leader of the German Communist party and polled five million votes for Reich president in the last pre-Hitler election, was not killed during the Allied air raid at Buchenwald, Furst discovered. In fact, Thaelmann may be alive yet after more than 12 years imprisonment in Nazi hands.

Rudolf Brettscheid, leader of the Social Democratic Reichstag faction, however, died in Buchenwald last August but not as a result of the air raid, as the Nazis announced at the time, Furst learned. He was brought into the camp dispensary immediately after the raid but his only injury was a bullet wound in his back.

"Give us arms and you won't have to worry about the SS much longer. You won't have to feed them as prisoners, either," he said.

German political prisoners were identified at the camp by a red triangle emblem without a letter in it. Other nationalities had the first letter of their countries' name. Jewish political prisoners had a red triangle with the letter J inside; other Jews simply had a J painted on their prison garments.

Coffee Warns Franco May Be Invited Next

America must clamp down on the forces which would promote cleavage with the Soviet Union on the Polish "border issue" or any other pretext, Rep. John M. Coffee told over 2,000 New Yorkers Thursday at the American Slav Congress' Carnegie Hall concert-rally.

Scoring American leadership in securing Argentina's admittance to San Francisco, Coffee expressed fear that Franco Spain would be invited next and then "they might invite a renovated Nazi Germany!"

George Pirinsky executive secretary American Slav Congress, named **Charles Rozmarek**, of the Polish American Congress, and ex-Yugoslav Ambassador **Constantin Fotitch** as among those "fascists and reactionaries who talk of a third world war against the Soviet Union," and are therefore "enemies of our country."

The meeting cheered a surprise appearance by **Myrna Loy**, who spoke for the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions.

Greetings were received from **Jan Masaryk**, head of the Czechoslovak delegation in San Francisco and **Ivan Subasich**, head of the Yugoslav delegation.

WHAT'S ON

RATES: What's On section for the Daily and The Worker are 50¢ per line (6 words to a line—3 lines minimum).
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CELEBRATE MAY DAY at the Cabaret Night and Dance given by ALP Garment Center at the Penthouse Ballroom, 13 Astor Place. Entertainment by Mary Lou Williams, Jane Dudley, Tom Scott, Billy Banks. Dancing to Cass Carr's Band. Refreshments. Saturday, May 5, 1945, 8 p.m.

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Tomorrow Manhattan

CELEBRATION OF JEFFERSON'S BIRTHDAY—Sunday, May 6, 8:30. Francis Franklin will speak on Thomas Jefferson, the man as related to his time and ours. The folk-music-play by Louis Lerman and Earl Robinson with Mort Friedman as soloist will be presented. Jefferson School, 575 Sixth Ave., cor. 16th St. 50¢.

Tomorrow Brooklyn

FUN IN PLATBUSH at a Musicale and Dance. Refreshments. Beethoven, Debussy, Jazz, only 50¢. Servicemen free. Flatbush Club, 848 Flatbush Ave. Sunday eve., May 6, 8:30 p.m.

PROF. V. KAZAKEVICH will speak on Sunday eve on "Russia's Role in Europe." Brighton Community Center, 3200 Coney Island Ave., Brooklyn.

OPEN HOUSE again at Thomas Jefferson Club, CPA, 1188 President St. 8 p.m. Discussion, music, refreshments. Admission free.

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THE DOWNFALL OF HAMAN—by popular request. Special—two performances of this colorful folk-play by Yiddish Theatre Ensemble. Sunday, May 13th. Matinee and evening at Fraternal Clubhouse, 110 W. 48th St. Tickets at 80 Fifth Ave., 10th floor. Telephone: AL 4-7733, ext. 56, daily 'til 6 p.m.; Sat. 'til 1 p.m. Ausp.: Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, IWO.

THE VILLAGE SWING CLUB of the AYD presents its Farewell to Spring Dance at Irving Plaza on Saturday, May 26th, 8 p.m. to curfew.

Philadelphia, Pa.

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JOHN WILLIAMSON will speak at May Day Builders Conference, 810 Locust St. Sunday, May 6th, 1 p.m.

KEEP THIS DATE OPEN! June 15, 1945. Big event by Communist Political Association. Watch for announcement.

FAREWELL PARTY for Mary Kimmer. Saturday, May 5th, 8:30 P.M. at 4512 Westminster Ave., Phila., Pa. All his friends are invited. Dancing, refreshments, entertainment.

'New Leader' Aims at Anti-Soviet Alliance

By LOUIS F. BUDENZ

When the devil pretends to become a monk, then we can look for something strange in the wind. The current number of the New Leader, anti-Soviet Social Democratic sheet, calls forth that comment. San Francisco Must Not Fail is the astounding heading on page one of the current number of that weekly. This is the paper, mind you, which has devoted every ounce of its energy to poisoning the wells on international security.

"The moral sell-out of Yalta" is what it termed the triumphant agreement of Big Three in the Crimea. That was on March 3 when it unleashed a bitter invective against President Roosevelt, rejoicing that he was about to face a fight on Yalta and from John L.

Lewis. This is the paper, too, which threw mud at FDR still further, notably on April 7 when it said: "FDR and Stalin Shatter Faith in Dumbarton Oaks."

And so, it is breath-taking to read now: "San Francisco Must Not Fail to Set Up an anti-Soviet Police Organization." And in order that there will be no doubt about it, the heading on the back page article (over William Henry Chamberlain's usual diatribe) is "San Francisco or San Fiasco?" Unless the new United Nations becomes a club against the Soviet Union, then the New Leader wants it wrecked.

ABUSIVE TERMINOLOGY

Typically in his sour manner, Chamberlain makes clear that this is what he is after. He has the effrontery—we can use that word even

of such a professional anti-Sovieteer as he—to contend libellously that the Soviet Union, which has laid down 15,000,000 lives for America's safety, is nothing more than another Nazi Germany. The term "appeasement" is employed by him against friendly relations with our powerful ally and "Munich" is his abusive name for Yalta.

Over the Polish landlords and fascists, he weeps bitter tears. He can see only "loopholes and gaping breaches" in the Dumbarton Oaks agreement. The moral is obvious: Unless the Dumbarton Oaks plan is amended at San Francisco to become a Soviet-injuring proposal, Chamberlain will brand the conference as a "fiasco."

The hope of the New Leader to scuttle the international security

organization which can only be built on close alliance of the Big Three is unfolded in its pages. William E. Bohn goes so far as to hint that it would be "no tragedy" if the United States should refuse to join the United Nations—making this despicable hint under the guise of discussing the old League of Nations. Indeed, he joins hands with Herbert Hoover in exclaiming that "some pretty low-minded connivers are trying to clout us into the new federation without giving us time to think." Time, delay—that is what Hoover wants, too, and for the plain purpose of destroying the United Nations.

But Bohn of the New Leader proceeds to align himself further with the Hoover-Vandenberg reservationists by a heated defense of

"justice." It has been quite clear, as Earl Browder has pointed out, that these terms are being used in the way they are for the purpose of manipulating certain "small nations" against the Soviet Union. And Hoover and the New Leader are as one on that matter.

Nothing discloses more definitely how vital it is to obtain full American-Soviet cooperation than the machinations of these enemies of unity in striving to range America against its most powerful ally.

House Votes Cut In Shipbuilding

WASHINGTON, May 4 (UP). — The House voted today to curtail the Maritime Commission's shipbuilding program by \$4,265,000,000.

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Words Fine, Mr. Chandler; ACTION NEEDED

By NAT LOW

In Chicago Thursday Sen. Albert (Happy) Chandler, baseball's new commissioner, issued his first definitive statement on the burning question of Negroes in baseball. Interviewed by United Press reporter, Walter Byers, Chandler said:

"I believe Negroes should have a chance like everybody else. The arrangements are yet to be worked out, but I believe that this is a free country and everybody should have a chance to play its favorite pastime. . . .

"This matter will take a lot of thought but in time it's bound to work. . . . Conferences must be held. There are reasonable men in baseball, and the ways and means of bringing this about must be worked out by discussions between major league owners and Negro leaders."

Now such words are very fine and we are glad to hear that Mr. Chandler is all for having Negro players in the major leagues. But, unfortunately, words are not sufficient at this stage of the campaign.

After all, what Chandler said is almost exactly what the late Judge K. M. Landis said three full years ago and still not a single Negro star is in the major leagues!

So it is obvious that words are not nearly enough. Indeed, words can often be a way out of a tough situation.

There is only one thing that can prevent baseball from suffering its worst scandal since the Black Sox of 1919. Baseball must immediately end its Jimcrow bars by signing Negro players to the teams of the major leagues. The issue is now one in which a great part of the American public is vitally interested. Any further procrastination on the part of the magnates will help expose their undemocratic stand—and the public will not stand for it much longer.

The war which is roaring to such a glorious finish in Germany cost the blood and lives of Negro troops as well as white troops. Our men overseas are fighting for a decent, democratic and united America.

That baseball should still persist in barring Negroes from its ranks is a national disgrace.

Therefore we cannot simply accept Mr. Chandler's words at face value. Words are fine, Mr. Chandler, but action is needed now.

If you really believe what you say then let's see an unequivocal order to the magnates demanding they immediately sign qualified and tried Negro baseball players.

Actions, Mr. Chandler, speak much louder than words.

The Marines Dood It for Boots

The citizenry of Williamsport, Md., Beaumont, Tex., Detroit, Toledo, Brooklyn, Montreal, Nashville and San Diego are going to find this hard to believe—but the Marines, along with their other situations, have taken Cletus Elwood Poffenberger in hand.

Boots, the disciple of the flowing cup, has got discipline. Don't take my word for it. It comes right out of a Marine Corps dispatch from that usual "somewhere" in the South Pacific.

Cletus, it says here, is in the finest condition of his life; has learned to like training and discipline; has a new attitude, and plans to settle down in the glowing future and be a major league star. That's what it says here.

And if so, it's a different Poffenberger than the black-eyed blockbuster who came up to Detroit in mid-season of 1937.

Boots was as good at tossing 'em down as he was at tossing 'em. For instance, he should have weighed 180 but he reported to spring training in 1938 weighing a buxom 225. He trained hard all day—but the next day at weigh-in was even heavier. Seems he had trained even harder that night. He also had the rather irritating habit of disappearing for days. After one such instance, Manager Mickey Cochrane asked him where he had been.

So 1938 found him sent to Toledo and then came his busiest year, 1939. Boots was sold to Brooklyn and Manager Leo Durocher thought he was the man to tame Cletus. The tipoff came in a southern town where the Dodgers were exhibiting with the Yanks. Just before train time, Cletus ordered a steak, dashed out to the dentist, and then—while the train waited—went back and finished the steak.

He and his eccentricities didn't last long even at Brooklyn, where the ancient trademark is a screwball rampant on a field of pop bottles with the outfielder being skulled by a fly ball. He pitched seven innings in two months, was suspended, optioned to Montreal, recalled, suspended again, reinstated, jumped the team in mid-season, was fined \$800, banished from the game and turned up playing soccer in Maryland. Reinstated in 1940, he was sold to Nashville where he won 25 and lost nine. The next season he was banished for throwing a ball at an umpire and finally sold to San Diego.

And now from the Marines comes the word that he's a new man, down to a mere 190 pounds and agreeable to training and discipline.

The Baron's old managers agree that it took the Marines to do it.

No Conversion For Willow Run

WILLOW RUN, Mich., May 4 (UP).—Army and Ford Motor Co. spokesmen indicated today that the Government-owned \$100,000,000 Willow Run bomber plant will be abandoned as an expended tool of war impractical for peacetime use.

Speaking at ceremonies in which the plant received the Army-Navy Excellence award, Henry Ford II, Ford Motor Co., executive vice-president, said:

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Davis Accepts Chandler's Invitation

Councilman Benjamin J. Davis Jr., who this week introduced a resolution in the City Council demanding an end to baseball's Jimcrow, accepted Sen. Albert B. (Happy) Chandler's invitation for a conference with major league owners to discuss the question of ending the bar.

Davis, in a telegram to the new Commissioner of Baseball, said New York wants the honor to be the first state to have Negroes in baseball. Chandler's idea for a conference between baseball owners and Negro leaders was put forth in an interview with the United Press in Chicago Thursday.

Here is Councilman Davis' telegram to the baseball commissioner:

"In response to your proposal Negro leaders would be glad to meet with major league baseball owners. Urge you initiate such conference immediately. I suggest New York as site. I pledge you my personal cooperation and that of community which wants honor of being first state to have Negroes in big leagues."

Other Negro leaders throughout the country are reported to be sending similar messages to Chandler.

All Games Rained Out Second Day

For the second day in succession the three New York clubs and all the other major league clubs were rained out yesterday. The Giants, who were scheduled to play the Braves at the Polo Grounds, will face them today. The Dodgers will play the Phils in Philly and the Yankees will tackle the Red Sox in Boston.

Books About Lincoln

Only Jesus Christ and Napoleon have inspired more books than Abraham Lincoln, according to the Illinois state historical library.

Rain Hurting Yanks, Giants and Dodgers

By PHIL GORDON

The rains are doing the New York teams no good. Not that they're helping anyone at all—but the locals, who are off to a good start (not counting the Dodgers, of course), would have liked to get in as many contests as possible before the inter-sectional trips got under way.

Both the Giants and the Yanks, who are in first place, have been facing the weaker teams of the league and wanted to bolster their leads before the western toughies came along.

The Dodgers don't mind one way or another except that the rains are building up a lot of double-headers for the summer and what with the Durocher pitching staff being what it is, it doesn't help.

The Giants will play the Braves twice today at the Polo Grounds and twice again tomorrow. The Dodgers will also face the Phils in Philly in two successive twin bills today and tomorrow.

The Yanks will play a single game this afternoon in Boston.

Mel Ott has Harry Feldman and Swede Hansen all ready to go to their firing line and a double win today would secure the Giants' one game lead over the Cubs. A double loss, however, would put the Braves, no less, in first.

The Braves have been getting good pitching, as usual, and some mighty solid hitting from Tommy Holmes (412) and Butch Neiman (400). Neiman has busted four homers and has batted in 15 runs in 11 games. Thus, the Braves should be serious opposition today.

World Looks to Frisco, Says Helen Douglas

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4 (UP).—Helen Gahagan Douglas, California's Democratic congresswoman, said today that humanity is watching United Nations efforts to build a world organization to see if it is to live in peace or "quietly commit suicide."

Standings:

AMERICAN LEAGUE					Games
	W.	L.	Pct.	Behind	
New York	8	4	.667	—	
Chicago	6	3	.667	½	
Detroit	7	4	.636	½	
Philadelphia	6	6	.500	2	
Washington	6	7	.462	2½	
St. Louis	4	6	.400	3	
Boston	5	8	.385	3½	
Cleveland	3	7	.300	4	

Games Today
New York at Boston.
Philadelphia at Washington.
St. Louis at Detroit.
Cleveland at Chicago.

NATIONAL LEAGUE					Games
	W.	L.	Pct.	Behind	
New York	9	4	.692	—	
Chicago	7	4	.636	1	
Boston	7	5	.583	1½	
St. Louis	6	5	.545	2	
Brooklyn	5	6	.455	3	
Cincinnati	5	6	.455	3	
Pittsburgh	5	8	.385	4	
Philadelphia	3	9	.250	5½	

Games Today
Boston at New York (2).
Brooklyn at Philadelphia.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh.
Chicago at St. Louis.

Needle Trades Fete Victories Tonight

Needle trades workers will celebrate latest military victories over fascism tonight (Saturday) with a cabaret dance at Tom Mooney Hall, 13 Astor Pl. Outstanding Broadway and night club entertainers will perform, and Cass Carr's orchestra will play for dancing.

The party is sponsored by the Ladies Garment Center of the American Labor Party, and will be held in the building's penthouse.

RADIO

WMCA—570 Kc.
WEAF—660 Kc.
WOR—710 Kc.
WJZ—770 Kc.
WNYC—880 Kc.
WABC—880 Kc.
WINS—890 Kc.

WEVD—1330 Kc.
WNEW—1180 Kc.
WLIR—1190 Kc.
WHN—1050 Kc.
WOV—1290 Kc.
WBNY—1480 Kc.
WQXR—1560 Kc.

WJZ—News; Symphony Orchestra: Max Goberman, Conductor
WABC—Report From Washington
WABC—Ray Smith, Songs
WQXR—News; Symphony Music
4:15-WABC—Report From Overseas
4:30-WABC—Rep. Emanuel Celler
WOR—Variety Musicale
WABC—Assignment Home
WMCA—News; Music
4:45-WABC—Radio Reporter
5:00-WABC—Grand Hotel—Play
WOR—Uncle Don
WJZ—Ellington Orchestra
WABC—We Deliver the Goods
WQXR—News; Piano Music
WQXR—News; Musical Milestones
5:15-WOR—Talk—Leo Egan
5:30-WABC—John W. Vandercook, News
WOR—Dunham Orchestra
WABC—Viva America
WMCA—News; Jerry Baker, Songs
5:45-WABC—Jack Owens, Baritone
WOR—Shirley Eder, Interview
WJZ—Jean Tighe, Songs

6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

6:00-WABC—News Reports
WOR—News; Music
WJZ—Bruno Shaw
WABC—News—Harry Harbale
WMCA—News; Piano Lesson
WQXR—News; Music to Remember
6:15-WABC—Friendship Ranch
WJZ—Sports—Harry Wismer
WABC—People's Platform
WMCA—Dale Belmont, Songs
6:25-WQXR—News; Dinner Orchestra
6:30-WOR—News; Fred Vandeventer
WJZ—Edward Tomlinson
WMCA—Recorded Music
6:45-WABC—Religion in the News
WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax
WJZ—Labor—U. S. A.
WABC—The World Today, News
WMCA—Talk, Jack Shafer
7:00-WABC—Our Foreign Policy
WOR—Guess Who?—Quiz
WJZ—Correspondents Abroad
WABC—To Be Announced
WMCA—News; Platterbrains
WQXR—News; Favorite Music
7:15-WJZ—Leland Stowe
7:30-WABC—Robert Q. Lewis Show
WOR—Arthur Hale
WJZ—Meet Your Navy
WABC—America in the Air
WMCA—Recorded Music
WQXR—Concert Music
7:45-WOR—The Answer Man
WMCA—Songs of Israel
8:00-WABC—Gaslight Gayeties
WOR—Frank Singler, News
WJZ—Early American Music
WABC—Play—Mayor of the Town
with Lionel Barrymore
WQXR—News; Symphony Hall
8:15-WOR—Dr. A. L. Sachar
8:30-WABC—Truth or Consequences

WOR—Symphony to the Americas
WJZ—Boston Pops Concert
WABC—The FBI in Peace and War
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
8:55-WABC—New Calmer, News

9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

9:00-WABC—National Barn Dance
WOR—Goldkette Orchestra
WABC—Hit Parade
WMCA—News; Shoot the Works
WQXR—News Reports
9:05-WQXR—Europe This Week
9:20-WQXR—Request Music
9:30-WABC—Can You Top This?
WOR—Calling All Detectives
WJZ—Spotlight Band
WMCA—Recorded Music
9:45-WABC—Saturday Serenade
9:55-WJZ—Quick Quiz
10:00-WABC—Judy Canova Show
WOR—Theatre of the Air
WJZ—Andy Russell Show
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
WQXR—News; Recorded Album
10:15-WABC—Al Pearce Show
10:30-WABC—Grand Ole Opry
WJZ—Gray Orchestra
WMCA—Frank Kingdom
WQXR—Concert Music
10:45-WABC—Talk—Walter Lippmann
WMCA—Marine Corps Program
11:00-WABC—WABC—News; Music
WMCA—News; Talk; Music
WQXR—News; Just Music
11:30-WABC—I Sustain the Wings
WABC—News; Music
12:00-WABC, WJZ—News; Music
WABC, WMCA—News; Music
WQXR—News Reports

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Monday, May 7 marks the opening day of classes of the Spring Term at the George Washington Carver School, 57 W. 125 St. Courses include the study of Race and Minority Problems, The Negro and Organized Labor, The Colonial Peoples, with such instructors as Ferdinand Smith, Charles Collins and Dr. W. A. Hutton. Also classes in dressmaking, millinery, grammar, arithmetic, drawing, painting, sculpture, etc. The six women staff (above) left to right are: Mayme Brown, Public Relations Secretary; Elizabeth Adams, Librarian; Elizabeth Catlett White, Director of Student Activities; Gwendolyn Bennett, Director; Edith Roberts, Registrar; Hermie Dumont, Administrative Assistant.

Powerful Pen-and-Ink Drawings Of the Depraved Hitler Gang

THIS IS THE MASTER RACE. A Gallery of German Portraits by Milnes Levick. Bernard Ackerman. \$1.00.

By DAVID PLATT

This is the Master Race is the title of a powerful pictorial indictment of Hitler Germany. Here are 24 caustic pen-and-ink and crayon drawings of the soul-less creatures responsible for Maidanek and Buchenwald with text to suit.

There's one of Dietrich Balder Schluck of Goldschmieden-strasse 17, Zwickau. The drawing is of a headless mass of rolling flesh encased in a chair. A skeleton of a child victim is gripped tightly in Schluck's huge paw.

There's another of Nikolaus Siepmann, son of a Dortmund plumbing contractor. He wears a uniform decorated with a long string of teeth extracted from Red Army prisoners before their bodies were tossed into fiery furnaces. Once in 1942 when the ammunition gave out, Siepmann ordered his men to kill the last twenty prisoners with shovels. "The crematorium smoke had a peculiar oiliness which made him cough," poor fellow.

INHUMAN ACTS

Here's a life-like portrait of Frau-lein Dorchen Salp of Primelweg 136, Mannheim who, because of her work for the Youth was able to secure a new hair mattress, "springs being unobtainable." The hair was part of that shaved from the heads of women among the 1,500,000 civilians who were cremated at Maidanek.

Beefy Frau Oberst - lieutenant Eugen Watzlik of Kastalenallee 212, Bautzen sits over a tall beer and toys with a small boy as though he were a fly. On April 15, 1943, Frau Watzlik wrote to her husband, then on the eastern front: "please, liechen, I implore you to send me another nice bearskin fur coat. It is so wunderlich. You don't want your little frauchen to be cold? Take one from another dirty Russian—I do not mind so long as he is dead."

Here's a frightful X-Ray of Dr. Oskar Rabenstoffer, authority on public health who prescribed a hot bath to quicken the action of Zyklon gas. By opening the pores, it increased the output of the Slavuta hospital murder plant by "two batches per diem for the gas chambers, each of which had a capacity of 250 individuals."

All told, these 24 grimly ironic portraits add up to a devastating picture of the incredible monstrosity that has finally been checked by the might of the Big Three.

Theatre Group Presents 'Common Ground' Forum

A forum-discussion will be held at the Fulton Theatre after the Friday evening (May 11) performance of Common Ground, the new Edward Chodorov play, it was announced today by Stage For Action.

Pictorial Reply to Anti-Soviet Slanders

The National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc., has just released **The Truth About THE BOOK THE NAZIS LIKE**, a 32-page pictorial and factual reply to W. L.

Whites' Report on the Russians.

The Truth About the Book the Nazis Like employs the novel and dramatic technique of comparing 49 typical statements made by White with more than 100 statements on the same subjects by such outstanding American observers as Eric Johnston, Quentin Reynolds, Edgar Snow, Henry Wallace, John Hersey, Joseph E. Davies, Wendell Willkie and a score of ace reporters who have spent many years in the USSR as against W. L. White's six weeks.

A typical example is the comparison of White's assertion: "Of course, they (the Russians) never tell you much" with the statement by General Eisenhower: "Our liaison with Russia always has been as close and intimate as necessary to meet any situation at any particular moment. They have given me the information I desired, willingly and cheerfully. I am completely satisfied." This in turn is followed by similar comments by U. S. Ambassador W. Averell Harriman, Donald Nelson and correspondent Harrison Salisbury who went on the same trip with Eric Johnston as did W. L. White.

INDISPUTABLE FACTS

White's reliability as a reporter is thus gauged, not on the basis of opinion but on the basis of facts and figures from sources enjoying indisputable authority and confidence. However **The Truth About the Book the Nazis Like** does more than answer White's distortions and inaccuracies. The presentation of this wealth of facts, compiled for the first time, gives the reader vital information about many aspects of Soviet life on the home and battle-fronts.

The title of the booklet is based on the reproduction on the cover of a Nazi frontline newspaper hailing the appearance of White's book as condensed in the *Readers Digest*. It opens with the statement by Eric Johnston charging White with using "a generous dash of fiction in the book which is not labeled as such" and a statement by sixteen leading

correspondents (John Hersey, Quentin Reynolds, Edgar Snow, Edmund Stevens and others) declaring that White's book "must rank as a highly biased and misleading report, calculated to prolong the oldest myths and prejudices against a great ally, whose sacrifices in this war have saved us incalculable bloodshed and destruction."

Excerpts from book reviews are also included, headed by Francis Hackett in the N. Y. Times: "Mr. White fires no gun for fascism but he rolls the ammunition for it."

In a brief foreword, the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship sets forth its purpose in publishing **The Truth About the Book the Nazis Like**.

"The White book appears at a crucial period when the die-hard opponents of international cooperation—upon which America's future, peace and security depends—are throwing everything they have into the effort to undermine American-Soviet unity. The publication and promotion of the book now is an expression of these disruptive tendencies which cannot go unchallenged."

The Truth About the Book the Nazis Like is available at 15 cents per copy and \$11.50 per hundred at the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc., 114 East 32 Street, New York 16, N. Y.



Hope Foye, young singer and dramatic artist, will be one of the many stars to perform at the Ben Davis Ball Sunday afternoon (May 6) at the Golden Gate Ballroom at 142nd Street and Lenox Avenue. The Negro singer has appeared at Cafe Society downtown and was with the FDR Bandwagon which toured the country last year.

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Martha Graham's Spring Season

The Spring season for Martha Graham and Dance Company is scheduled for the week of May 14 at the National. It will run through the following Saturday, May 19, and will bring the New York premieres of two of the new works seen last autumn in the Coolidge Festival in the Library of Congress. These would be *Appalachian Spring* with score by Aaron Copland and *Herodiade* with music by Paul Hindemith. The latter is better known by its subtitle, *Mirror Before Me*, under which it was performed originally in Washington, D. C.

Silver Fleet Honored in San Francisco

The World Theatre is holding over for a sixth week *The Silver Fleet* the British topical drama starring Ralph Richardson, Googie Withers and Esmond Knight. The picture has the distinction of being selected as the first film to be shown to the delegates of the San Francisco Convention.

THE STAGE

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Late Bulletins

Australians Enter Tarakan

MANILA, Saturday, May 5 (UP).—Australian Imperials have entered Tarakan, important oil center of Dutch Borneo, capturing the Japanese military barracks and water supply installations, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today.

France to Ask Laval Extradition

PARIS, May 4 (UP).—The French cabinet decided today to send a note to the Spanish government demanding the extradition of former Vichy government chief Pierre Laval and members of his party, who are held at Barcelona after flying to Spain from northern Italy, it was learned authoritatively.

It was learned that the French government also has complained to Spain that Spanish fishing boats which supplied the Germans in Atlantic coast pockets carried off furniture and works of art from chateaux in German-held territory. A diplomatic message has asked that the Spanish government insure payment for the articles.

1,000 Yards From Naha, on Okinawa

GUAM, May 4 (UP).—American Marines, gaining 200 yards down the west coast of Okinawa, were little more than 1,000 yards from Naha, the island's capital, front dispatches reported today.

The Tokyo radio said, "All indications are that the enemy is now preparing for the final offensive."

Yugoslavs Asks Nazi General Be Extradited

The Yugoslav War Crimes Commission has asked for the extradition of Nazi Field Marshal Maximilian von Weichs, former commander-in-chief of German armies in the Balkans who has been captured by the American Seventh Army, so that he may be tried as a war criminal by a Yugoslav court, the Yugoslav Telegraph Service said yesterday.

The dispatch was reported by the Federal Communications Commission.

Complete New List of War Criminals

LONDON, May 4 (UP).—The United Nations War Crimes Commission today dispatched to Supreme Headquarters two more lists of Nazi officials charged with war crimes.

Belgian Socialists to Oppose King

BRUSSELS, May 4 (UP).—The council of the Socialist Party voted today to support any movement favoring the abdication of King Leopold III of Belgium.

This first public move against Leopold brings into the open the long seething discontent of many factions over their king's conduct.

Report Danish Gov't Being Formed

LONDON, May 4 (UP).—The Kalundborg, Denmark, radio said tonight that King Christian of Denmark had asked former Premier Wilhelm Buehl to form a new government.

Nazis Surrender in Holland, North Reich and Denmark

(Continued from Page 1)

The Soviet lines are only 1,000 yards from the Americans and British all the way from the Elbe River elbow south of Wittenberg to north of Hamburg, leaving an estimated two German divisions in the pocket between the lines east of Magdeburg.

The surrender terms imposed on the northern Germans by Montgomery were identical to those the Nazis accepted Sunday when they yielded northern Italy and western Austria—complete and unconditional surrender of all land, air and sea forces.

ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED

Eisenhower telephoned the news himself to press headquarters here, and the following announcement was issued:

Field Marshal Montgomery has reported to the Supreme Allied Commander that all enemy forces in Holland, northwest Germany and Denmark, including Helgoland and the Frisian Islands, have surrendered to the 21st Army Group effective at 8 a.m. (British Summer Time) tomorrow. This is a battlefield surrender, involving the forces now facing the 21st Army Group on their northern and western flanks.

Before the surrender was announced, the Danish Freedom Council had reported British troops al-

ready had invaded Denmark and that parts of that country had been liberated.

Attempts of some Germans to escape by sea were smashed by British warplanes which sank 10 ships and damaged 61 along the Baltic and North Sea coasts from Denmark to Norway. On Thursday 40 ships were sunk and 100 damaged.

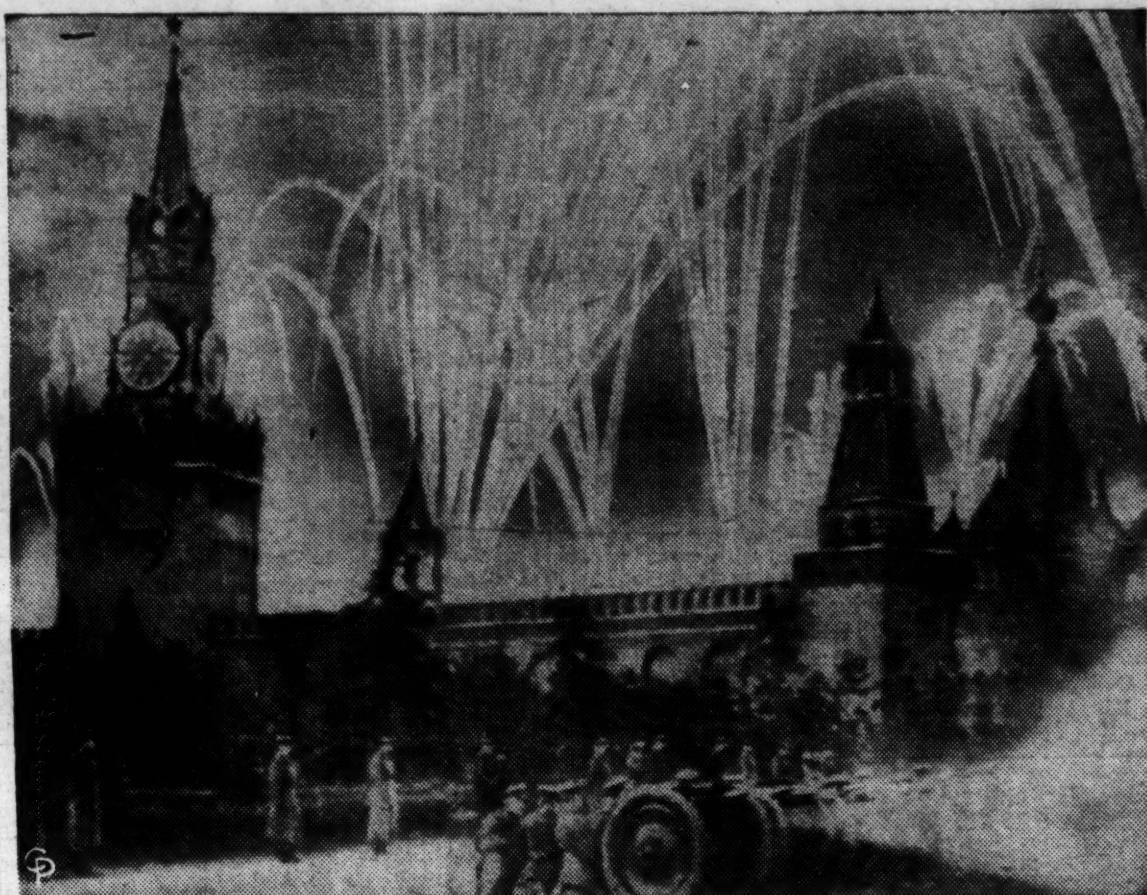
In the south the Seventh Army alone bagged nearly 50,000 prisoners as all resistance collapsed on its front, which covers most of the areas of Austria yielded under the Italian surrender.

At the western end of the two-army 160 mile line across Austria and Czechoslovakia, Patch's men returned to Italy, whence they started last August on their invasion of southern France, which carried them up into Germany and back into Italy.

Czechoslovak officials in London said the German overlord Karl Frank and Czech quislings had tried several days ago to negotiate with the Allies for a free armed withdrawal of German troops into Bavaria—now overrun. The Czechoslovak government promptly warned the Allies that any such attempt would be one by traitors who were subject to war criminal trial.

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Moscow skies blazed with fireworks and cannon (foreground) fired salutes as the Soviet capital celebrated the juncture of the First Ukraine and the American First Armies at Torgau, Germany. Similar salutes took place throughout the Soviet Union.

The Veteran Commander

EXIT STRATEGY, ENTER POLICY

AS WAS to be expected, Germany is surrendering piecemeal, but only on one side or, rather, in one direction.

Just look at the facts of the last few days and hours:

Gen. Vietinghoff-Scheel has surrendered his large army in Italy and Austria. While we doubt that he had a million men, he certainly had half a million. American troops are near Innsbruck and Allied troops from Italy are on the Brenner. Practically no resistance is being offered by the Germans even in areas not covered by Vietinghoff's surrender (as in southeastern Bavaria, between Rosenheim and Kufstein).

Prague, threatened by Gen. Patton at much closer quarters than by Malinovsky, has been declared a "hospital city," which is tantamount to an open city. This means: "Walk in, Gen. Patton!"

In the north, Hamburg and Luebeck fell without firing a shot. Kiel and Flensburg have been declared open by the Germans.

Gen. Eisenhower and Field Marshal Montgomery have announced that all German troops in northwestern Germany, Holland and Denmark will formally surrender this morning at 8 o'clock, British time.

NOW look at the other side of the picture: Along the entire huge double arc stretching from Meissen on the Elbe between Riesa and Dresden around the mountain massif encircling

Bohemia and Moravia to Moravska-Ostrava, to Bruenn (Brno) and from there by way of Poelten west of Vienna, south across the Drava, around Zagreb and to the head of the Adriatic, i.e., along a solid front of 800 miles the Germans are fighting back hard and are maintaining operational integrity.

While the cities in the west fall like overripe plums, Schweinfurt, Breslau, Dresden, Goerlitz, Strigau, Glatz, Przerow, Znojmo, Krems, the Semmering, Gratz, Maribor, Zagreb and Ljubljana are holding fast to say nothing of the German army in Latvia and the German troops on the Frische Naehrung off East Prussia.

German Army Group A, under Col. Gen. Schoerner in Silesia and Czechoslovakia, Army Group "Kurland" in Latvia, Army Group South, under Col. Gen. Friessner in Austria and Czechoslovakia, and Army Group E, under Col. Gen. Loehr in Yugoslavia do not seem to have been swept off their feet by the tide of surrender unleashed by the report of Hitler's death and the Doenitz proclamation.

Here are four colonel generals who seem to know exactly what they are doing. What they are doing was explained yesterday in this column. These colonel generals are fighting mostly outside German territory. So they are not defending the Vaterland. They are holding out to permit the bulk of what is left of the Wehrmacht to cross safely into western prison camps, complete with field marshals and general staff... for future use and reference. That's THEIR idea.

Ickes Seizes 33 Soft Coal Mines

WASHINGTON, May 4 (UP).—Coal Administrator Harold L. Ickes tonight took possession of 33 soft coal mines which have been idle because 10,500 miners failed to return to work after the new soft coal wage contract was approved.

Ickes ordered the American flag run up over the pits to signify Federal operation, and directed the

miners to report for work by Monday morning. Last night he took over three other soft coal mines, and by Presidential directive all the strike-bound anthracite mines in Pennsylvania.

The newly-seized pits are operated by 25 companies, but Ickes' office failed immediately to say where they are located. They increased to 272 the number of soft coal mines in Government possession as a result of unauthorized strikes.

"I can not conceive of any reason why these men should stay away from their wartime jobs," Ickes said in a statement. "There is no question of the lack of a valid, effective war agreement."

The mines produce 56,000 tons daily.

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